REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 8-12, 14-17, 19-24, 26, 34, 35, 37-70 remain in this application. Claim 27 has been withdrawn. Claims 1-7, 13, 18, 25, 28-33 and 36 have been cancelled without prejudice to their patentability.

Claims 66-72 have been renumbered as claims 64-70, respectively, as requested by the Examiner.

The Examiner has acknowledged that claims 8-12, 14-17, 19-21, 26, 43-63 and 66-70 (renumbered 68-72) are directed to allowable subject matter.

The Examiner also acknowledged that claims 22-24 were directed to allowable subject matter in the Office Action dated 10/18/2004. Claim 22 has been rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the original base claim 1 and intervening claim 18 and should be allowable. Claims 23 and 24 depend from claim 22 and should be allowable.

Claim 34 has been rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the original base claim 1 and intervening claim 3 and is allowable per the Examiner's suggestion. Claim 35 depends from claim 34 and is allowable per the Examiner's suggestion.